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### **CMS Post-Pandemic Re-Integration and Assessment of Community Interactions**

June 22, 2021  
12:30 - 2:00

CMS is hosting a training to assist states to successfully re-integrate individuals receiving home and community-based services (HCBS) and supports into their communities. The training will discuss redefining the baseline for community access as the restrictions imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic change or are lifted.

This training will:

- Share pertinent CMS guidance from the State Health Official Letter of December 22, 2020: Planning for the Resumption of Normal State Medicaid, CHIP and Basic Health Program Operations Upon Conclusion of the Public Health Emergency and the January 15, 2021 General Transition Planning Tool;
- Review some of the changes that will need to occur as the flexibilities approved for use during the pandemic begin to unwind including identifying the most selected flexibilities used by states during the pandemic which could potentially be incorporated into 1915(c) waivers going forward; and
- Identify the key strategic factors included in a state's assessment process to plan-fully ensure that individuals can re-connect with their communities in accordance with their own choices and preferences taking into account the dignity of risk and including the most current, appropriate methods for delivery of HCBS and supports based on those individual preferences.

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